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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire  
Chief Clerk & Administrator  
**Public Service Commission of South Carolina**  
101 Executive Center Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. for Approval of GCRMs - Various Schedules  
Constituting Piedmont's GCRM-138  
**Docket No: 2006-401-G**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed the above-referenced filing and has no objection to Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.'s ("Piedmont") request for approval of GCRM-138. Piedmont has requested a benchmark cost of gas decrease from the current \$4.25 per dekatherm to \$4.00 per dekatherm and for this change to become effective with the first billing cycle in February 2014.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our comments in this matter.

Sincerely,

John W. Flitter

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